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Sweet Sweep Success! **Mayor Dixon's Super Spring Sweep Thing 8!**

Public Works Director George L. Winfield announced today that Mayor Sheila Dixon's Super Spring Sweep Thing 8 was a sweeping success. The city-wide cleanup event drew 260 communities groups and organizations and 5,500 volunteers who removed 460 tons of trash and debris from Baltimore's streets and neighborhoods.

This year's cleanup collected 55 more tons of refuse than last year's spring cleanup. However, it was not as much as earlier years when thousands of tons of trash were picked up by citizen volunteers. The first Super Spring Sweep Thing in 2000 had 2500 volunteers who collected 3000 tons of trash! This shows a continuing trend of decreasing amounts of debris being found in Baltimore's neighborhoods.

As the Mayor's emphasis was in having city facilities freshen up and lead the way in keeping clean and attractive, the Sisson Street sanitation yard was brightened up with fresh paint, new asphalt, new signs, a new oil disposing unit and landscaping. Other city facilities and yards will continue to freshen up and clean up throughout the year.

Cleaning the City is an ongoing effort which means making a commitment to sweeping your sidewalks, alleys and along your curbs. It means using durable trash containers with tight-fitting lids. It means participating in neighborhood Pitch-Ins.

To learn more please go to **www.baltimorecity.gov** or read about it in your Department of Public Works Calendar.



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